sense. For at his entrance into life and at his departure from it both are used in the religious ceremonies. If a boy is born, a bow and three arrows are placed beside him at the name giving, (35) After various ceremonies, [851].

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35. P.F. Stegmiller, "Aus dem religiösen Leben der Khasi" [The Religious Life of the Khasi], Anthropos, 1921-1922, pp. 425 ff.

which cannot be described here, the sacrificer shows the boy the bow and three arrows, and calls upon him to become a good shooter. At the end of all the ceremonies the bow and the arrows are carefully attached to the inside of the straw roof of the hut.

It should be mentioned that at a Khasi cremation (36) a bow and three arrows are also

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36. P.F. Stegmiller, loc. cit., p. 430 ff.

used. They are kept in readiness with the other ceremonial objects of the dead, while the corpse is being shown for the last time to the participants in the funeral. As soon as the fire flames up on the funeral pyre, three arrows are also shot off: one towards the north, one towards the south, and the third towards the east. The Khasi call these arrows 'nam-tympem.